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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

TU ET AL.

Examiner

Kenneth R Coulter

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 and 12-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 10 and 11 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on ____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). ____
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) Z. 6) ☐ Other: .

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) do not apply to the examination of this application as the application being examined was not (1) filed on or after November 29, 2000, or (2) voluntarily published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). Therefore, this application is examined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

2. Claims 1 - 9 and 12 - 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being clearly anticipated by Huang et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,553,375) (Method and Apparatus for Server Based Handheld Application and Database Management).

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2.1 Regarding claim 1, Huang discloses a method for remotely accessing a base computer from internet-enabled remote devices wherein the remote devices do not include remote access software, comprising in combination:

establishing a remote access session with one of the remote devices at an internet central server system (Fig. 6, item 601; col. 4, lines 25 - 37);

presenting a task list (application list) to the remote device from said central server system (Fig. 5, item 506; Abstract; col. 5, lines 51 - 64);

receiving a task selection at said central server system from the remote device (Abstract; Fig. 5, item 505; col 5, lines 59 - 61);

establishing a persistent connection between said central server system and a base computer in response to intermittent contact from said base computer to said central server system (col. 3, lines 23 - 31);

transmitting said task from said central server system to the base computer via said connection between said central server system and said base computer (Abstract; Fig. 7, item 707).

However, Huang does not explicitly disclose

receiving at said central server system task data from the base computer responsive to said transmitted task; and

presenting from said central server system a task response compiled from said task data to the remote device.

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It would have been inherent to include these features in Huang because wireless client device commonly transmit application program results to servers.

2.2 Per claims 2 - 9, Huang teaches the particulars regarding terminating remote access (Fig. 6, item 608; col. 6, lines 36 - 38); particular protocols (col. 5, lines 6 - 30); user authentication (Fig. 6, item 602; col. 6, lines 2 - 4) and secure communication (col. 6, lines 4 - 7); communication encryption (col. 6, lines 4 - 7); and establishing a communication link between the base computer and server when the base is not already connected to the Internet (col. 4, lines 25 - 33).

2.3 Regarding claims 12 - 15, the rejection of claims 1 - 9 under 35 USC 102(e) (paragraphs 2.1 and 2.2 above) applies fully.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 10 and 11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kenneth Coulter whose telephone number is (703) 305-8447.

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